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MATHEMATICS — ORDINARY LEVEL — PAPER I (300 marks)

THURSDAY, 8 JUNE - MORNING, 9.30 to 12.00

Attempt SIX QUESTIONS (50 marks each)

Marks may be lost if all your work is not clearly shown or if you do not indicate where a calculator has been used.



1. (a) A prize fund of IR£6000 is divided as follows:

the first prize is half the fund, the second prize is two-thirds the first prize, the third prize is what remains.

How much is the third prize worth?

- (b) IR£5000 is invested for two years at compound interest.
 - The interest at the end of the first year was IR£275. Calculate the rate of interest for the year.
 - (ii) At the end of the second year the investment was worth IR£5644.25. Calculate the rate of interest for the second year.
- (c) Members of a club had two weeks to raise money for their club. A business person agreed to give 50p to the club for every IR£5 collected by the members.
 - (i) In the first week the members collected IR2640. How much did the business person give the club in the first week?
 - (ii) In the second week the money raised from the members and the business person amounted to IR£6930. How much did the club members collect in the second week?

(a) Show that x = 5 is a root of the equation

$$x^3 - x^2 - 17x - 15 = 0$$
.

(b) Find the solution set E of $2x + 7 \le 19$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Find the solution set H of $3 - 2x \le 11$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Find $E \cap H$.

(c) If
$$x + \frac{1}{x} = a$$
, show that $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = a^2 - 2$.

Express $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$ in terms of a.

3. (a) Solve for x the equation

$$3^{2r} = 9$$
.

(b) Solve for x and y

$$x + 2y = 3$$

 $x^2 + y^2 = 26$.

(c) Let $f(x) = x^2 + bx + c$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

The solutions of f(x) = 0 are -3 and 1. Find the value of b and the value of c.

If f(-1) = k, find the value of k.

Solve the equation

$$f(x) - k = 0.$$

4. (a) Let $z_1 = 5 + 4i$ and $z_2 = -3 - 5i$, where $i^2 = -1$.

Plot

- (i) z
- (ii) ₂
- (iii) $z_1 + z_2$

on an Argand diagram.

(b) Let
$$w = \frac{1+i}{2-2i}$$
.

Express w in the form p + qi, p, $q \in \mathbb{R}$. Calculate |w|.

Verify that

$$|w|^2 = w\overline{w}$$
.

where \overline{w} is the complex conjugate of w.

(c) (i) Let u = 6 - 5i. Solve for real a and real b

$$u + ai = 2b$$
.

(ii) Solve for real s and real t

$$s(2-i) + ti(4+2i) = 1 + s + ti$$
.

If z = x + iy, where $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, what type of curve is represented by

$$|z|^2 = |s + it|^2$$
?

5. (a) The first two terms of an arithmetic sequence are 5, 0,

Find

- (i) d, the common difference
- (ii) T₁₁, the eleventh term.
- (b) The numbers

$$\frac{1}{2}$$
, 1, 2,

are in geomteric sequence.

Find

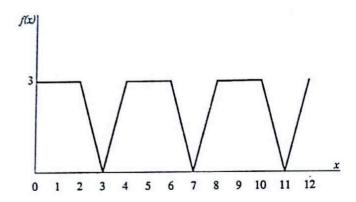
- (i) r, the common ratio
- (ii) Ta, the nth term
- (iii) S₆, the sum to six terms.
- (c) In an arithmetic series, the tenth term, T₁₀, is 19 and the sum to ten terms, S₁₀, is 55. Find the first term and the common difference. Show that

$$2S_n = 3n^2 - 19n.$$

(a) The graph shows portion of

 a periodic function f: x → f (x).

Write down the period and range of the function.



(b) Differentiate from first principles

$$x^2 - 6x + 4$$

with respect to x.

(c) Let
$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 7x^2 + 7x - 2$$
, for $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Find the derivative of f(x).

Find the equation of one of the tangents to the curve of f(x) which is parallel to the line y = 3x - 8.

7. (a) Differentiate

$$6 - 5x^3$$

with respect to x.

(b) (i) Differentiate

$$(2x-3)^7$$

with respect to x.

(ii) Let
$$y = \frac{5 + x^2}{2 - x}$$
, $x \ne 2$.

Find the values of x for which $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$.

(c) The air resistance R to a body moving with speed ν metres per second is given by

$$R=\frac{v^2}{100}.$$

Find the rate of change of the air resistance with respect to the speed. Calculate this rate of change when v = 16 m/s.

8. (a) If
$$s = t^3 - 4t^2$$
, find $\frac{ds}{dt}$ when $t = 3$.

(b) Let
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x-3}$$
, for $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x \neq 3$.

(i) Find
$$f(0)$$
, $f(8/3)$, $f(10/3)$ and $f(6)$.

(ii) Find
$$f'(x)$$
, the derivative of $f(x)$.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x-3}$$

for $0 \le x \le 6$.

(iv) Solve the equation

$$f(x) + f'(x) = 0.$$